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THE AGENDA CONTINUES

Since the writing of *Saviors of the Earth?* the book has proved to be incredibly accurate in predicting the evolution of the global agenda. It even played a role in the cliffhanger derailment of the ratification of the Convention on Biological Diversity, which was not scheduled until after the book was published. Although the main-stream press has taken little notice, the agenda has come out from behind closed doors and is now openly discussed in both United Nations and United States government documents.

Like a slumbering giant, America is gradually awakening to the realization that something is terribly wrong, but they don't know what. A 1996 poll revealed the shocking news that over 50 percent of Americans are now afraid of their government, rapidly fulfilling the chilling warning by Thomas Jefferson,

"When all government, domestic and foreign, in little as in great things, shall be drawn to Washington as the center of all power, it will render powerless the checks provided of one government on another and will become as venal and oppressive as the government from which we separated."¹

As our Constitutional protections crumble we are rapidly becoming a highly factionalized society where special interest groups attempt to take what belongs to others in the name of the "public good", while others form to defend themselves. We are increasingly told, and are acting as if we are a democracy rather than a constitutional republic. This does not bode well for America. A pure democracy is nothing less than two wolves and a lamb deciding on what to have for dinner. James Madison once warned,

"[A] pure democracy can admit of no cure for the mischiefs of [the majority] ...and there is nothing to check the inducements to sacrifice the weaker party. Hence it is that such democracies have ever been spectacles of turbulence and contention; have ever been found incompatible with personal securities or the right of property; and have *in general been as short in their lives as they have been violent in their deaths.*"² (Italics added)

But not all is wrong with America. As Americans have awakened they are standing up and saying "enough is enough." One of the most astonishing evidences of this starts on pages 206 and 207 of Chapter 10 of the book, and the ratification of the Convention on Biological Diversity. The book concludes that the Senate would probably never understand the dangers of the treaty and would ratify it. But that is not what happened — at all!

THE DEMISE OF THE BIODIVERSITY TREATY

Environmentalists have long asserted that white man's cities, highways, intensive agriculture, lawn care, golf courses, forest harvesting, and other activities have disrupted and fragmented natural ecosystems. According to environmental theology, earth's so called fragile web of life is being destroyed as species become extinct by the thousands, and biodiversity, critical to the web's survival, vanishes. As the early 1980s dawned, a new age dream of sustainability and a world treaty to protect biodiversity began to take shape in the minds of those who would return us to nature.

The Role of the IUCN

The International Union for the Conservation of Nature (IUCN)³, originally conceived of a "biodiversity treaty" to stop these human activities in 1981. By developing and promoting the pseudoscience of conservation biology,⁴ the IUCN began to build the case that biodiversity was being destroyed and the only solution was an international treaty. The dream culminated in the 1992 United Nations Conference on Environment and Development, otherwise known as the Earth Summit, held in Rio de Janeiro. Less than twenty pages long, this Biodiversity Treaty was touted as a crowning achievement for man that would save the earth by protecting biodiversity through the application of vaguely scribed principles and philosophy. By writing with deliberate vagueness, accompanied by warm platitudes calling for international harmony and cooperation, the treaty was assured ratification by nation states.

Few people have even heard of the IUCN, let alone realize the tremendous role this group has in implementing regulations that attack the very heart of our US Constitution and prepare the foundation for global governance. Fully accredited by the United Nations, the IUCN advertizes itself as a scientific organization, when in fact it's own literature promotes a pantheistic world view that auto-

matically assumes that humans degrade biodiversity by almost anything we do.⁵ The Spring 1996 issue of the IUCN's Ethics Working Group's publication, *Earth Ethics* blatantly admits that the IUCN, "promotes alternative models for sustainable communities...based in ecospiritual practice and principles...to accelerate our transition to a just and sustainable future.... The problems that face the world today, humanity must undergo a radical change in its attitudes, values, and behavior.... In response to this situation, a new global ethics is taking form, and it is finding expression in international law."

What is especially concerning is that the IUCN provides a forum for various federal agencies and NGOs to work one-on-one without outside scrutiny to develop joint strategies on how to implement their religious beliefs through international law. Hence, the US EPA, US Fish & Wildlife Service, US Park Service, US Forest Service and the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) can work side by side out of the public's eye with the Society of Conservation Biology, Sierra Club, Nature Conservancy, National Wildlife Federation, National Audubon Society, Natural Resources Defense Council, the Environmental Defense Fund, UNEP, UNESCO, UNDP, WHO and other organizations to develop strategies to implement a global agenda that has little to do with protecting the environment and everything to do with controlling the lives of every citizen of the world.

This understanding took on rather ominous undertones when on January 18, 1996, President Clinton issued Executive Order #12986 which gives US members of the IUCN diplomatic immunity from lawsuit by any U.S. citizen.

Treaty a Blank Check

Although statesmen in many nations expressed concerns about the treaty, it has passed overwhelmingly in over 160 nations. The treaty is so vaguely written, there is nothing within its twenty-pages to clearly condemn it. Therein lies the problem. All nations had to ratify the treaty *before* the actual enabling and binding protocol of the treaty was written. These nations, in effect, signed a blank check. Worse, Article 25 of the treaty calls for the enabling protocol to be based upon a biodiversity assessment that was to be written by NGOs (Non-Governmental Organizations). Made up of primarily environmental and socialist organizations, NGOs are hardly the type of institutions that instill confidence in anyone who is for economic development. Nonetheless, UNEP contracted the World Resources Institute to write what came to be titled *The Global Biodiversity Assessment* (GBA) in 1993, with the first draft to be completed by May of 1994.

As the treaty came before the United States Senate for ratification in August, 1994, wise use and land rights groups across the country conducted a massive fax campaign to alert citizens of the dangers behind this treaty. It quickly became obvious that the effort to stop the biodiversity treaty had taken on a life of its own as frustrated citizens throughout America copied and re-faxed the faxes to their friends. The Senate Republican Policy Committee estimated the fax alert

likely reached between one to four million people in two days as phone lines to Senate offices were jammed for four days before the vote was scheduled. As a result, thirty-five Republican Senators signed a letter stating they would not sign the treaty. The action bought some time, and as it turned out, that was all that was necessary.

It was now imperative that those Senators opposing the treaty find damning evidence that the treaty was merely a smoke screen for a much larger and more ominous environmental agenda. That evidence was likely to be in the UN *Global Biodiversity Assessment* (GBA), but repeated efforts by the Senate to secure a copy of the GBA from the United Nations hit a rock wall when the UN insisted the GBA did not even exist. That wall came tumbling down, however, on September 30, 1994—the day the treaty ratification was scheduled—when the Senate was provided a covert draft copy of the GBA.

THE UN GLOBAL BIODIVERSITY ASSESSMENT

It quickly became obvious why the United Nations did not want any nation to have this document before ratifying the treaty. Reality proved worse than even the most cynical accusation made earlier against the treaty. The 1044 page report judges all human activities on the basis of two world views, Judeo-Christian and pantheistic. Anything from a Judeo-Christian heritage is automatically bad, and anything from “traditional” pantheistic heritage is good and offers a model for the future,

The western "world view is characteristic of large-scale societies, heavily dependent on resources brought from considerable distances. It is a world view that is characterized by the *denial of sacred attributes of nature*...[which] became firmly established about 2000 years [ago] with the *Judeo-Christian-Islamic religious traditions*....

The *world view of traditional societies tends to be strikingly different from the modern world view*. They tend to view themselves as members of a *community* that not only includes other humans, but also *plants and animals as well as rocks, springs and pools*. People are then members of a *community of beings* -- living and *non-living*. Thus rivers may be viewed as mothers. Animals may be treated as kin.... The many restraints [by traditional societies] on the use of natural resources, [including the] *protection...of sacred sites*,...may have evolved culturally in response to the *need to ensure more sustainable use of biological populations and conservation of biological diversity*.⁶ (Italics added)

In this romantic vision of reality, “Nature has an integral set of different values (cultural, spiritual, and material)” to which humanity must conform. Human beings are merely “one strand in nature’s web” and are no more important than any other living creature. Therefore, “the natural way is right, and *human activities should be molded along nature’s rhythms*.”⁷ (Italics added)

Cast in this world view, concludes the treaty’s GBA, human “population

growth has exceeded the capacity of the biosphere... to sustain it." To maintain our current global population of 5 to 7 billion people we must reduce our standard of living to that of "an 'agricultural world' in which *most human beings are peasants*." (Italics added) If becoming an agrarian peasant is not to your liking the GBA provides an alternative, "A reasonable, [population] estimate for an industrialized world society at the present North American material standard of living would be *1 billion*" people!" ⁸ (Italics and bold added)

The GBA, and hence the treaty itself, is nothing less than a plan to reorganize western civilization around nature. Property rights and other resource management practices and uses would be limited to only those that would do no harm to biodiversity. Property rights "should be restricted to usufructual or user rights. Harvesting quotas, emissions permits and the development rights are examples of such rights."⁹ "Usufructual rights" were first used in the Roman Empire and means the Caesar owns everything and issues rights and privileges to build, farm and so forth.

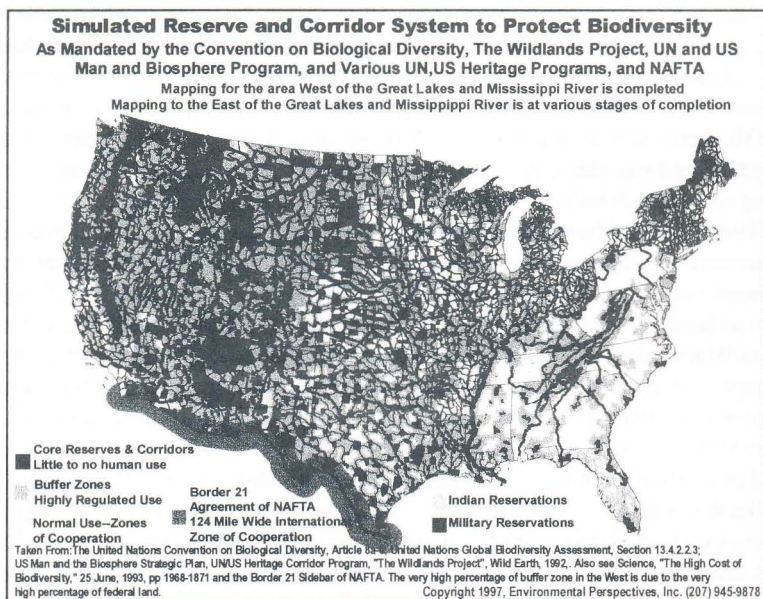
The plan calls for organizing our society into self-sustaining "bioregions" of similar ecosystems in which the usufructual permitting process will be administered by a non-elected council or commission of people from "central or local government, private, community and community tenurial rights."¹⁰ Non Governmental Organizations such as the Sierra Club, Wilderness Society, and other environmental groups would be given "legal standing" to participate in all levels of governance and to police the treaty.¹¹

The treaty's GBA frames biodiversity as a "public good" and part of the "global commons" which no one can own. Since any human activity can threaten biodiversity, *all* human activity must be tightly regulated. "Green accounting systems" must replace traditional ones. These green accounting systems "must include the value of a landscape, of a species of bird or fish, and of an undammed river. They must not only reflect the direct cultural, spiritual, economic and social values...to humans, but also the more intangible values of these entities as members of tightly coupled ecosystems."¹²

The Smoking Gun

The heart of the treaty's GBA is to protect biodiversity by creating vast wilderness areas. Based entirely on pseudo-scientific theory known as the Wildlands Project,¹³ the GBA calls for "representative areas of all major ecosystems in a region...to be reserved.... [Reserved] blocks should be as large as possible (up to 25 million acres each)..., buffer zones should be established around core areas, and corridors should connect these areas. *This basic design is central to the recently-proposed 'Wildlands Project' in the United States.*" ¹⁴ (Italics added)

The Wildlands Project to which the GBA cites recommends "that *at least half of the land area of the 48 conterminous states*...be encompassed in core reserves and inner corridor zones...within the next few decades." "Eventually," continues the article, *a wilderness network would dominate a region and thus*



Projected example of the Wildlands Project that is the model for implementing Article 8a-f of the Convention on Biological Diversity as defined in the UN Global Biodiversity Assessment. The UNESCO Biosphere Program and World Heritage Sites are now designed to be the first steps in implementing this treaty. The Clinton administration's ecosystem management and American Heritage Rivers programs also seem to be first steps in implementing this plan to rewild America. Colored maps like this were used on the US Senate floor to stop the ratification of the treaty. (Note: the Southeastern and Appalachian Mountain states are not yet fully mapped.

would itself constitute the matrix, with human habitations being the islands."
¹⁵ (Italics added)

Based on the information gained while writing *Saviors of the Earth*, stunning color maps were produced graphically illustrating the enormity of the Wildlands Project (see example above). The maps and GBA were sent to the Senate. In a cliffhanger race against the clock, Senator Kay Bailey Hutchinson (R-TX) took these enlarged maps and GBA evidence to the Senate floor — an hour before the vote on ratification was to be taken. Despite frantic lobbying by environmentalists and the State Department effort to assure the Senators that there was nothing in the treaty to cause concern, the treaty was withdrawn from the floor for "further study."

But don't get too comfortable. The treaty is still in the Senate Foreign Relations Committee and will stay bottled up only so long as Senator Jesse Helms remains Chairman of the committee. Besides, the Clinton Administration is incrementally implementing the provisions of the treaty through executive fiat.

Power Corrupts and Absolute Power Corrupts Absolutely

The Clinton Administration is not concerned with having the legal authority to implement international agreements and treaties. Congress is being ignored while Clinton makes policy to fit the global agenda. One of these programs is called "Ecosystem Management". An EPA Ecosystem Management internal working document proclaims,

"Natural resource and environmental agencies... should...develop a joint strategy to help the United States fulfill its existing international obligations (e.g. Convention on Biological Diversity, Agenda 21).... The executive branch should direct federal agencies to *evaluate national policies...in light of international policies and obligations, and to amend national policies to achieve international objectives.*" (Italics added)¹⁶

True to the GBA goals for "bioregional governance", Ecosystem Management brings together "stakeholders" to decide how to manage the interlocking federal and private land of western states. These stakeholders groups, of course, are heavily weighted to include NGOs who are not dependent on federal land for their livelihood and often heavily support the Wildlands Project.

Worse, the incredible anti-human nature of biocentrism is apparent in "Ecosystem Management" documents,

"All ecosystem management activities should consider human beings as a biological resource..."¹⁷

So now American citizens are nothing more than "biological resources", equal in value to rocks and wolves. Such a mentality has serious consequences.

The Clinton administration's drive for supremacy has resulted in an avalanche of efforts to grab power and deny citizens their constitutional rights. Following the 1996 elections, for example, the BLM quietly inserted language into the Federal Register¹⁸ that would have done an end run around Section 303 of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act (FLPMA), granting the agency supreme police powers that could have trumped local and state law enforcement agencies. Worse, every offence was treated as a "criminal violation"¹⁹ including dust from traveling on a dirt road that "might" harm biological diversity adjacent to it. Or washing your car in your driveway 100 miles from the nearest BLM land as long as the waste water drains into a stream or river which eventually crosses BLM land! The penalty for such crimes against the environment? One year in federal prison and/or \$100,000 fine.

The attempt almost went unnoticed. When it was discovered it caused an incredible backlash from state and local governments as well as from citizens in the Western States where all BLM land is located. Congress threatened to launch an investigation if it wasn't repealed. Secretary of Interior Bruce Babbitt finally capitulated and withdrew the new language in March, 1997. Such a story should

have been front page news. It was totally ignored by the media.

On June 17th, 1997, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (FWS) conducted a so-called public hearing regarding the proposed Grizzly Bear Habitat Recovery Plan. That plan would create 32 million acres of "protected recovery zones" in at least six regions in the West, which would be connected by migratory corridors — one of which is 240 miles long. Obviously, such an ambitious plan is fraught with implications for private property rights, economic development, the security of livestock, and even the physical safety of residents in the affected areas.

Curiously, however, the FWS did not bother to inform any of the affected parties of the upcoming hearing. Representatives of natural resource industries and local landowners were not notified of the hearing at all and were denied information about the meeting until they found out about it from independent sources. This was not the case for environmental groups. Six weeks before the scheduled hearing, the FWS solicited testimony from self-described environmental groups about the proposed plan. Among those invited to create public policy were the Greater Yellowstone Coalition of over 30 environmental groups — many of whom also sit side by side behind closed doors with the FWS within the IUCN.

The FWS tapped Louisa Wilcox, a founder of the eco-terrorist group Earth First! and project coordinator for Wild Forever, to preside over the meeting's speaker agenda. In a five hour marathon, environmental groups held the floor, asking that roadless areas be kept roadless, that roaded public lands be reduced to below one mile of road per square mile, that grizzly bear recover zones be doubled in size to over 50,000 square miles, that grizzly bear habitat be connected with corridors, and that grizzly bear food sources and habitat be protected from human disturbance.

Of course, these demands are right out of the Wildlands Project. Local residents would not have been allowed to testify at all had it not been for the insistent protests of Joe Beardsley, a private citizen. After five hours of testimony from the environmentalists, the FWS was shamed into giving Beardsley and a few other local citizens a token thirty minutes for spontaneous testimony.

One can only assume that these abuses of power represents Vice President Gore's "reinvented government" at work.

The Awakening of America

Although the media has attempted to paint anyone who opposes the global agenda as "black helicopter" kooks, linked to "militia's," and/or miscellaneous government haters, Americans are waking up and joining grassroots organizations to oppose this growing tyranny. In some of the greatest successes, citizens have used US/UN documents and the Wildlands Project maps²⁰ to stop additional US/UNESCO Biosphere Reserves from being installed in the United States. According to these documents this 20 year program, which has had no congressional oversight, is now being used by UNESCO and the Clinton Admin-

istration to implement the Convention on Biological Diversity. It already occupies over 50 million acres of US soil.

Citizens have convinced the state legislatures in Kentucky and Colorado to unanimously pass resolutions in 1997 condemning Biosphere Reserves in their respective states. The Kentucky Senate resolution asserts,

"The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky is Unalterably opposed to the inclusion of any land within the borders of the Commonwealth within the purview of the Biodiversity Treaty or any biodiversity program without the express consent of the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky, as provided by the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of Kentucky."

Congress has not been idle either. H.R. 901, the American Lands Sovereignty Act uses Article IV of the Constitution to severely limit the president's discretion on committing public land for international purposes. The bill has 170 cosponsors and if it passes congress and survives an expected presidential veto it would specifically mandate that 1) any nominated World Heritage Site get Congressional approval before it is so designated, 2) prohibits designation of any site if the Department of Interior finds that any viable commercial activity will be harmed within the site or a ten mile buffer zone around the proposed site, 3) the impact on any natural resource utilization be defined, 4) prohibits federal officials from nominating any new Biosphere Reserves as a UNESCO Biosphere Reserve, and 5) protects the use of non-federal land intermixed or surrounding a designated World Heritage Site.

THE FRAMEWORK CONVENTION ON CLIMATE CHANGE

During his address to the UN General Assembly on June 26, 1997, President Clinton proclaimed, "The science is clear and compelling: We humans are changing the global climate...No nation can escape this danger. None can evade its responsibility to confront it."²¹ Greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions should therefore be cut in half to avoid global warming of "about 2°C by 2100," according to the Ministerial Declaration issued by the third meeting of the Conference of the Parties (COP) to the UN Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) in 1996.

Blatant Deception from the UN

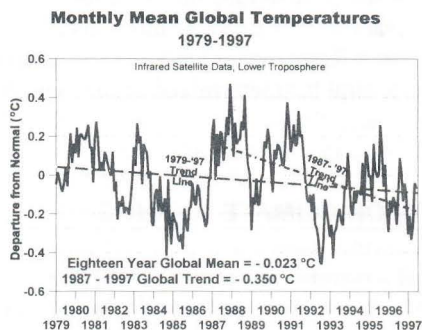
These highly disturbing statements are based on a five year "consensus" report prepared by the International Panel on Climate Change (IPCC), a United Nations organization. According to the report, not only is global warming a fact, but we humans are causing it. But this IPCC report is not the one originally written by the scientists. Incredibly, after the staff of the IPCC received the report

from the scientists, it was drastically altered by removing all statements of uncertainty about the type and cause of global climate change—in absolute violation of IPCC rules.

Among those statements that were removed, for instance, is the declaration, “None of the studies cited above has shown clear evidence that we can attribute the observed [of the climate change observed to date] to anthropogenic [man-made] causes.” (Italics added) Dr. Frederick Seitz, president emeritus of Rockefeller University and past president of the National Academy of Sciences and the American Physical Society blasted the IPCC for these changes, “Whatever the intent was of those who made these significant changes, their effect is to deceive policy makers and the public into believing that the scientific evidence shows human activities are causing global warming,” he claimed.²²

This deception is not trivial. A comprehensive study by Charles River Associates of Washington, D.C. and presented by Dr. W. David Montgomery, a lead author in the uncorrupted IPCC report, revealed that the U.S. Gross Domestic Product would be reduced by more than \$240 billion annually just to reduce US emissions to 1990 levels.

The seriousness of this issue has lead nearly 100 world-renowned atmospheric scientists to challenge the COP3 declaration in a statement issued from Leipzig Germany in November, 1995, “...most scientists now accept the fact that



Infrared temperature measurements of the bottom 15,000 feet of earth's atmosphere by NASA satellites reveal an average global temperature decrease of -0.023°C over the past eighteen years. On the other hand, the Global Climate Model predicts there should have been a large increase, as much as 0.5°C , during the same eighteen year period. The trend line for the past 10 years shows a whopping third of a degree downward trend in global temperature.

actual observations from earth satellites show no climate warming whatsoever. We consider the Global Climate Treaty...to be unrealistic; its goal is stabilization of atmospheric greenhouse gases, which requires that fuel use be cut by 60-80 percent world wide!"

As noted by these scientists, satellite measurements of global temperature do indeed contradict global warming theories. These measurements show a 0.023°C **decline** in global temperature over the past 18 years. Even ground-based data has shown that most of the significant warming during the past 100 years occurred prior to the 1950's — before the atmospheric levels of greenhouse gases began to increase rapidly.

Warming proponents cite increased levels of CO_2 in the atmosphere and the Global Climate Model as evidence that the actual measurements are anomalies caused by the eruption of Mt. Pinatubo and other disturbances like *El Niño*.

Once these anomalies are behind us, they claim, the temperature will continue its relentless increase.

No one disagrees that the stratospheric dust spewed out by volcanic eruptions and the *El Niño* effect can cause cooling. However, a plunge in global temperature occurred in December 1995 of 0.1°C — the greatest single month decline in history. Likewise, Dr. Robert Balling, Director of the Office of Climatology at Arizona State University notes, "The satellite-based measurement of planetary temperature showed 1/97 to be the coldest January in the 18-year record. What makes this amazing is the lack of any *La Nina* or volcanic eruption that can be 'blamed' for [any of] the observed cooling trend of the past year."

BINDING CO₂ REDUCTIONS BEING WRITTEN

But this compelling evidence is being ignored. It is full speed ahead for policy makers seeking to slam on the breaks on CO₂ emission. Although the Framework Convention on Climate Change is a "voluntary" treaty to reduce greenhouse gas emissions to 1990 levels by the year 2000, that was changed in the 1995 meeting of the Convention's Conference of the Parties (COP) held in Berlin, Germany. Known as the Berlin Mandate, the COP tasked an Ad Hoc group to negotiate *binding* targets and dates that will then be signed by the Heads of State at the December 1997 COP meeting to be held in Kyoto, Japan.

Although the language has yet to be finalized, most proposals under serious consideration would set the target between a 10 to 20 percent reduction from 1990 levels in CO₂ emissions by 2010! Such a mandate would reduce the Gross Domestic Product of the US by between 7.6 to 15 percent per year and force Americans to reduce fossil fuel consumption by as much as 60 percent!²³

The Argonne National Laboratory has produced a study for the U.S. Department of Energy which warned the proposals now being negotiated would adversely impact 70 percent of the American economy and 1.8 million manufacturing jobs. While the US economy would be devastated with these binding targets, the Berlin Mandate stipulates that "developing nations" (China, India, Mexico, etc.) would *not* be bound at all by the new mandates.

Because of the unfair bias in favor of developing nations, the Argonne study identified a mass migration of industry from the US to developing nations, taking American jobs with them. The Clinton Administration is attempting to circumvent this problem by negotiating at the COP Ad Hoc Meetings for "tradable emission credits" with developing nations. If successfully negotiated, the Clinton team reasons, the U.S. could "buy" the right to emit greenhouse gases from the developing nations — albeit at a huge cost to the American people.

As communities and state governments begin to understand the magnitude of this civilization destroying treaty, they are standing as one to voice their objections to it. On July 25, 1997 the U.S. Senate unanimously passed a Resolution requiring, among others, that before the Senate would consider ratification, 1) all member nations must be equally bound by any emission reduction requirements contained in the agreement, and 2) that there be no adverse economic

impact on the U.S. This not only puts the U.S. Senate in direct opposition to the Berlin Mandate, but would negate Clinton's efforts to buy emission credits from developing nations. Such a plan would obviously drain tens, if not hundreds of billions of dollars from the U.S. economy.

Welcome to the Twilight Zone

Incredibly, all of this fancy negotiating footwork avoids the central question. Why are we even negotiating a climate change convention that is designed to stop global warming when it is now very clear there is no global warming. We may even be experiencing global cooling! This is beyond ludicrous and is into the realm of the insane. Although we don't have all the answers yet, it is time to take global warming out of politics and put it back into the scientific arena where it should have been all along.

There is very low risk in waiting for science to define what is really happening before making policy. But the consequence of allowing the falsification of scientific reports and continuing the increasingly draconian policy advocated by many proponents at the COP meetings, may be a strangled U.S. economy teetering on bankruptcy.

Taking a rational approach to this issue does not fit the global agenda, however. Tragically, there is evidence that President Clinton is developing a strategy that will bypass the people and congress. Reliable sources at the August, 1997 Ad Hoc Meeting of the Berlin Mandate in Bonn, Germany, warned that President Clinton has given the Secretariat assurances that he *will* sign whatever binding agreements are eventually negotiated at the December, 1997 COP meeting in Kyoto, Japan. Those sources also indicated that if the targets did not meet the Senate Resolution's stipulations, Clinton would not send the treaty to the Senate for ratification until after the next election in hopes of regaining a Democratic majority. If that failed, he would wait until after the next Presidential Election. In the meantime, he would begin implementing it by executive fiat — just as he has when the Convention on Biological Diversity was not ratified.

NATURE IN VIOLATION OF NEW CLEAN AIR REGS

The July, 1997 EPA announcement of the new clean air standards may be the opening salvo in implementing the new treaty before it is even ratified. By the stroke of a pen, the president signed into effect, pending public input, new regulations that affect emissions down to a particle size of 2.5 microns — smaller than many organic molecules given off in the transpiration process of some plants and trees! The EPA also reduced the urban ozone standard from its present level of 120 ppb to 80 ppb, which happens to be the upper limits for *natural* background ozone levels in our southeastern states.

The "Smoky Mountains" of the Appalachian Mountain range are so named because of the "smog" formed from *natural* organic particulate matter and ozone levels resulting from tree and plant transpiration — long before our forefathers settled America. If on a typical hot summer day nature herself equals or exceeds

the EPA standards, it naturally follows that all urban areas will be out of compliance. In fact, these cities could go bankrupt spending trillions of dollars in compliance efforts and never achieve compliance!

The new regulations are being justified on the need to save lives and ease the severity of asthma sufferers. EPA estimates of lives saved by the new regulations range from 15,000 to 20,000 per year. However, those numbers come from studies fraught with errors. After re-analyzing the EPA proposal, Kay Jones, head of the Seattle environmental consulting firm Zephyr Consulting, found the EPA's fine-particle rule would save fewer than 840.²⁴ Furthermore, although asthma incidents have increased dramatically over the past 20 years, ozone and particulate levels were dropping due to the original clean air act — the inverse correlation of what should be expected. On the other hand, the increase in asthma is directly correlated with yet another EPA mandate — the requirement for homes to be sealed more tightly to reduce energy consumption. In the process, air circulation is reduced resulting in "sick building syndrome."

The pseudoscience being used by the EPA has a possible deadly down-side. There is hard statistical evidence that "wealth equals health"— the wealthier a nation, the better the health of its people. According to one study by the American Enterprise Institute, for every \$50 million spent on regulations there is one statistical death as income slip and some people no longer have the finances to maintain good health or seek good medical services. If the new regulations drain \$200 billion from the economy, 4,000 people could die in a misguided effort to save 840. This kind of "backfiring" is known as the *law of unintended consequences*. Tragically, environmental "solutions" often ignore this law — with deadly consequences.

Nonetheless, the president wants to impose regulations that will cost hundreds of billions of dollars and eliminate older automobiles, add huge costs to new cars, eliminate thousands of jobs as non-compliance businesses are closed and new ones kept from opening because of enormous regulatory costs. Just like the Framework Convention on Climate Change, and the Convention on Biological Diversity, poor to downright fraudulent science is being used to impose extremely punitive regulations that will break the back of America. Why?

Global Governance (Government)

With the publication of the UN funded Commission on Global Governance, there can no longer be any doubt that the dream of world government is close at hand. What is "global governance"? Just as rape under any other name is still rape, global governance is global government. Clothed in a garb of righteous justification, and sanctified under the banner of "true democracy", what these globalists are planning for the world is a government controlled by non-elected, unaccountable global elitists and bureaucrats. Our Founding fathers called it tyranny,

*"The accumulation of all powers -- legislative, executive, and judiciary -- in the same hands, whether of one, a few, or many, and whether hereditary, self-appointed, or elective, may justly be pronounced the very definition of tyranny."*²⁵ (Italics and bold added)

Endorsed by UN Secretary General Butrous-Butrous Ghali, the Commission on Global Governance was created in 1993, and funded by the UN. It was led by past IUCN president Shirdath Ramphal and former Swedish Prime Minister Ingvar Carlsson. Most of the members were either key United Nations officials, or known promoters of global governance through the UN, including Maurice Strong.

The report makes it clear that the contrived global environmental holocausts form the basis of why the world must have global governance,

*"Few developments have conveyed the sense of global interdependence as strongly as the growing evidence that all depend on the earth's ecological resources and are vulnerable in the face of their degradation. A thickening web of interdependence requires countries work together.... In an increasingly interdependent world...the notions of territoriality, independence, and non-intervention have lost some of their meaning. In certain areas, sovereignty must be exercised collectively, particularly in relations to the global commons."*²⁶ (Italics added)

Among the recommendations made by the Commission on Global Governance are to, 1) Remove the "permanent member status" and veto power provisions of the Security Council, 2) Create an "Economic Security Council" to oversee the world economy, and change the World Bank into a central bank like the Federal Reserve, 3) Set up a new "court of criminal justice" having binding verdicts and superior to all national courts, 5) Establish UN authority over the "global commons" administered by a revamped "Trusteeship Council", 6) Create a new parliamentary body of "civil society" representatives of NGO's, 7) Establish a permanent UN standing army while disarming all nations and civilians, 8) Set up an independent global taxation system to pay for it all, 9) Expand the authority for the Secretary General and 10) Establish a new world ethic based on "a set of core values that can unite people of all cultural, political, religious or philosophical backgrounds."²⁷

A new mission for the UN would be to protect the security of people,

*"All people, no less than all states, have a right to a secure existence, and all states have an obligation to protect those rights."*²⁸ *"We believe a global consensus exists today for a UN response on humanitarian grounds in cases of gross abuse of the security of people."*²⁹ The security of the people is challenged "from threats to the earth's life-support systems, extreme economic deprivation, the proliferation of conventional small arms, the terrorizing of

civilian populations by domestic factions, and gross violations of human rights."³⁰ (*Italics added*)

If implemented, the UN would be justified in invading nations who do not follow its environmental mandates! Since the UN would have the only army, they would have free reign to totally subvert the people's of any nation — including the United States.

In another recommendation, the UN Trusteeship Council would change its mission from the decolonization of the world to one having a

"mandate of exercising trusteeship over the global commons. The global commons include the atmosphere, outer space, the oceans beyond national jurisdiction, and the related environment and life-support systems that contribute to the support of human life [such as biodiversity]. Its functions would include the *administration of environmental treaties* in such fields as climate change, biodiversity, outer space and the Law of the Sea." The new Council "would benefit from contributions from *civil society organizations*."³¹

NGOs such as the Sierra Club make up the backbone of "civil society" as defined by the UN. Everything in the report indicates NGOs would become the high priesthood of the global commons. Since the global commons includes biodiversity, and since anything people do negatively affects biodiversity (according to UN/IUCN definitions), non-elected, unaccountable NGOs would be in a position to direct all human activity much like the old communist politicos did in the USSR.

The revised *Earth Charter*³² comprises the new "core values" mandated in the report. This draft document is centered on the pantheistic belief that nature is god. The revised Charter waxes eloquently about how "the earth is alive" and humans are merely "members of an interdependent community of life" whereby "earth, each life form, and all living beings possess intrinsic value and warrant respect independently of their utilitarian value to humanity." We should "share a reverence for life and the sources of our being" and "reinvent industrial-technological civilization, finding new ways to balance self and community." Failure to do so "*threaten the fabric of life and the foundations of local and global security*." "Peace," after all, "is the wholeness created by harmonious and balance relationships with oneself, other persons, *other life forms, and Earth*" herself. And true to the age-old dream of massive wealth redistribution, we must "share equitably the benefits of natural resource use and a healthy environment among the nations..."³³ (*Italics added in above quotes*)

THE MARCH TO GLOBAL GOVERNMENT

On July 16, 1997 Secretary General Kofi Annan made the long-awaited pronouncement on UN restructuring. He proposed "bold" reforms for the United Nations that will "transform" through "major restructuring" the international

organization into an entity that can respond to "an increasingly dynamic and complex world." "The *global agenda* has never been so varied, so pressing and so complex," proclaimed Annan. "...New and unprecedented threats and challenges...transcend borders. *They are beyond the power of any single nation to address on its own. And I repeat, any single nation, no matter how powerful.*"³⁴

Annan concluded his announcement by declaring "This is the *age of the United Nations.*"³⁵

Not surprisingly, Annan's bold restructuring plans are incrementally implementing the 1995 recommendations of the UN funded Commission on Global Governance. Maurice Strong, a member of the commission, was appointed by Annan in January, 1997 to serve as his Senior Executive Coordinator to oversee the restructuring plans. Strong, of course, has been the big mover and shaker in setting up environmental holocausts as reasons to pave the way to global governance.³⁶

With Maurice Strong at the helm it is also no surprise that Annan's plan includes the Commission on Global Governance's recommendation for a revamped UN Trusteeship Council role of overseeing the "global commons." The plan continues by stating that the Council "should serve to link the United Nations and *civil society* in addressing these areas of global concern...."³⁷ (Italics added)

How this linkage is to occur bears close watching since the redirected Trusteeship Council will apparently have awesome EPA-like powers. Why the concern? "Non-governmental organizations (NGOs)," according to the UN Plan, "are the clearest manifestation of what is referred to as 'civil society'." NGOs, of course, include entities such as the Sierra Club, Nature Conservancy, National Audubon, Wilderness Society and other groups dedicated to the elimination of nearly all uses of natural resources in the United States. Remember, the Sierra Club and other like-minded NGOs now have diplomatic immunity from lawsuit in the US because they are members and agents of the IUCN.

Is "big brother" just around the corner? Concerns about the incestuous Orwellian relations between the UN and NGOs deepen when the UN Plan asserts, "a vibrant civil society is critical to processes of democratisation and empowerment." NGOs are "not only disseminators of information or providers of services but also as *shapers of policy.*" They should be involved in "national and international levels of *decision-making and implementing*" according to the UN Plan. To advance this goal a series of "gatherings" are planned between NGOs and the UN, and a "NGO liaison officer" will be appointed by each UN department to "facilitate access by civil society to the United Nations."³⁸

All of this is to culminate in a "Millennium Assembly" in the year 2000, where "heads of Government could come together to...agree on a process for fundamental review of the role of the United Nations." Since the Secretary General will have already convened a commission during 1998-99 to review the structural changes needed to the UN Charter, such a meeting could actually be used to ratify the recommended Charter changes. And, accompanying this

auspicious occasion, a "People's Millennium Assembly" is recommended to allow NGO civil society direct input into the proposed changes. Representation, it seems, will be limited to non-elected NGOs in the restructured UN.

Democracy is limited to "civil society", which means NGOs. The only mention of an elected, representational form of government is a vague reference to a possible elected "People's Assembly" that *might* be created *after* the global elitists have total power over the world. As Patrick Henry once warned,

"Show me that age and country where the rights and liberties of the people were placed on the sole chance of their rulers being good men, without a consequent loss of liberty! I say that the loss of that dearest privilege has ever followed, *with absolute certainty, every such mad attempt.*"³⁹

What can we do about this? The recommendations in the final Chapter of *Saviors of the Earth?* are still valid and are working very well. However, time is very short.

If there was ever a time in America's history for Americans to stand tall and defend truth, justice and liberty, that time is now!

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